# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## **FISCAL NOTE**

### SB 2744 - HB 3859

March 3, 2010

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Deletes the repeal of the definition of a "governmental entity" in Shelby County within the provisions of the Governmental Tort Liability Act and specifies that a medical professional employed by a nonprofit public benefit corporation operating as a governmental entity in Shelby County is considered an employee of that entity. Medical professional includes any registered nurse, nurse practitioner, or any physician so long as at least 50 percent of the physician's patient population is treated at the hospital.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant**

#### Assumptions:

- The provisions of the bill only apply to Shelby County.
- Deleting the repeal of the definition of a "governmental entity" will result in the continuation of the current level of immunity.
- Including medical professionals under the immunity will not result in a significant impact to local government.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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